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## What can my child expect in Kindergarten at the DSBN?

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## What will my child learn in Kindergarten?

Kindergarten begins to lay the foundation for all other learning in school. Much of the learning is play-based and encourages students to become increasingly independent and to solve problems.

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## What can parents expect?

Kindergarten is a big change for both you and your child. We are committed to making this transition as smooth as possible for you and your family.

You can expect to have regular communication with your child's teacher and many opportunities to discuss their progress. There will also be many opportunities for you to get involved and to be part of your child's education.

This is a shared journey and we look forward to working with you!

## How old does my child have to be to register for Kindergarten?

If your child was born in 2010, they can start Kindergarten in September 2014.

## How do I know if my child is ready?

Children who are ready for school are:

- happy playing with others
- eager to learn
- beginning to take responsibility for themselves and others
- beginning to be independent
- curious
- learning to cooperate

## How do I register?

Start by downloading your child's registration form. Visit:

[www.dsbn.org/kindergarten](http://www.dsbn.org/kindergarten)  
and click "Register"

Bring the completed form with you when you attend the Kindergarten Open House at your local DSBN school. There will also be forms available on Open House night.

## To complete registration, you will need your child's:

1. Birth Certificate, Birth Registration or Baptismal Certificate
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# Trucks collide on QEW

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Three transport trucks were involved in a collision on the QEW near Thompson Rd. in Fort Erie on Monday night. Two people were taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

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Sarah Ferguson  
Fort Erie Times

Two people were taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries after three trucks were involved in a collision on the Queen

Elizabeth Way on Monday night.

The Fort Erie Fire Department, Niagara Emergency Medical Services and the Ontario Provincial Police responded to the call for a transport truck collision at 6 p.m., on the QEW near Concession Rd.

OPP Staff Sgt. Ian Idzenza said one of the drivers involved in the collision was charged with careless driving.

The southbound lanes of the QEW were closed to

motorists for six hours following the incident.

"It (the QEW) was closed around 6:30 p.m. and it wasn't opened again until 12:24 a.m. It took that amount of time for the scene to be cleaned up," Idzenza said.

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# Falls site eyed for new south Niagara hospital

**Niagara Falls Mayor Jim Diodati confident hospital to be built in Falls.**

**Ray Spiteri**  
QMI Agency Niagara

Unless something is found to be wrong with the property, a south Niagara hospital will be built on serviced and donated land at Montrose and Lyons Creek rds.

"That is the preferred site—the most likely site," said Health Minister Deb Matthews.

Matthews announced last week the province will spend \$26.2 million to plan a new hospital and two urgent-care centres. They will replace aging sites in Niagara Falls,

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Port Erie, Welland and Port Colborne.

Programs and services inside the buildings will be determined, as will the size and site of them.

Matthews said a portion of the money will be spent on "actually confirming that is the right site."

"It is not a final decision," she said. "I'm going to talk to the recommendation from Dr. (Kevin) Smith. Is it absolutely the best location? That will be determined."

Matthews made no mention during her Monday announcement of the hospital being built on 20 acres of land at Montrose and Lyons Creek rds., or in Niagara Falls at all. But she was present when dignitaries unveiled an updated billboard on the property touting it as the future home of the hospital.

Her press conference was held inside the Arpad Hungarian Hall across the street.

Matthews mentioned Niagara Falls twice in a letter sent to Tuesday to Ontario Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak that dealt with the hospital.

Critics believe the location recommended for the hospital is not truly in the southern tier and should be moved closer to their community.

Smith, the former Niagara Health System supervisor and current chief executive officer, recommended the Lyons Creek Rd. and QEWR area after consulting geographic and demographic experts, planners, medical officials and Niagara politicians.

A group of south Niagara mayors agreed to submit two locations for Smith to choose from—Lyons Creek Rd. and the QEWR on the outskirts of Niagara Falls or East Main St.

and Hwy. 140 in Welland.

Smith said there would be appropriate, community-based services and after-hours care in municipalities that will see their hospitals close, along with family health teams and urgent-care centres.

Niagara Falls Mayor Jim Diodati said he is "sure" the planning process will confirm the Niagara Falls property as "not just the pre-ferred site, but the logical site."

He said the reason Matthews did not specifically mention Niagara Falls during her announcement was because she doesn't want to circumvent the planning process.

"They're going to do environmental testing, they're going to do archaeological, they're going to do all sorts of testing and litmus tests to confirm Dr. Smith's recommendation.

"I think anyone who is focused on health care and not the politics of health care cannot argue with the fact that this is the most logical location."

Diodati said he is not concerned politics, including a provincial election, will affect this year and a municipal election in October, could push the province to alter the hospital's location.

"That won't happen. The planning grant is going to be site specific. They're going to look at this site. I've had lots of discussions with Dr. Smith around this and the ministry of health," he said.

He understood the politics of it, for the politicians, for reelection in 2014. I understand they don't want to be seen as losing something and I think that's the wrong perspective."

Diodati said those skeptical of the Niagara Falls location

should focus on "what are we gaining?"

He said urgent-care centres can handle the majority of medical issues facing patients with hospitals doing more of the pre-scheduled and specialized procedures.

Matthews said there are instantaneous statistics around emergency room visits and "we use our ERs a lot more than other countries."

She said it is important for patients to understand they do not have to go to a hospital to receive care. She said depending on the ailment, patients can also go to urgent-care centres, family health teams and nurse-practitioner clinics.

Matthews said patients can find their health-care options by visiting [www.health.gov.on.ca](http://www.health.gov.on.ca).

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## Niagara residents will have a say on regional transit system for the region

**Rob Houle**  
QMI Agency Niagara

A referendum asking Niagara residents whether they favour a regional transit system is a go.

But one asking if they would like to combine all 12 municipalities into one Niagara is dead.

Niagara Region council decided last Thursday night to

hold a referendum question on the Oct. 27 municipal ballot asking residents whether they want a regional public transit system.

A public meeting will be held prior to council's meeting Feb. 6 to discuss how that question should be framed.

While he introduced the motion to pose the question, St. Catharines councillor Andy Petrowski admitted the likelihood of enough Niagara voting in that election to make the referendum binding is next to nil.

"To be really clear, we're never going to be in the situation where this question will bind back on council, because that will require 50% voter turnout in each of the 12 munici-

palities," Petrowski said.

"There's more chance of winning all of the 175-million dollar prizes (in Friday's Lotto Max lottery) than that happening."

The purpose is to engage the public at the voting polls. If you're voting against this, you're voting against what the public has said. If you're voting for this, then the people have to say, then we will be able to process that in the next term."

Councillors voted 15-6 to pose the referendum question.

Petrowski was not so lucky in his attempt to get the one-Niagara question on the bal-

lot. Since council does not have authority to unilaterally pose that question, as municipal restructuring falls under the purview of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, it must ask the minister to order the Region to put it on the ballot.

Petrowski put forward a motion that council ask the minister to focus a referendum question on amalgamation. Some councillors expressed concern the electorate would not be properly informed about the concept of amalgamation.

The motion was defeated in a narrow vote of 13-12.

## Out of town for the February 13 by-election? You can still vote!

If you live in the electoral district of Niagara Falls and plan on being out of town on February 13, you can still vote:

- Today at your local returning office
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# New regulations for growing medical marijuana impact local grower

Sarah Ferguson  
Fort Erie Times

Looking from the outside of his Fort Erie home, no one would have a clue that William grows his own medical marijuana in his basement.

If anyone were to enter William's home, and walk down the steps that lead into his basement though, he or she would get his or her first hint. The smell emanating from cannabis plants would lightly touch the inside of his or her nose.

Inside a small but well

organized and properly ventilated room sits 35 plants surrounded by lights and a fire suppression system.

William, who asked that his name not be used, suffers from Graves' disease, an autoimmune disease that affects the thyroid. Because of the disease, William uses medical marijuana to treat sleeping and eye problems.

Once he obtained his license from Health Canada seven years ago, William has been legally growing marijuana ever since. He's allowed to grow 72 plants, but William said he only grows 35 because he doesn't want to grow more than he

needs. He said 35 plants will grow enough medication for him while taking into account that not every harvest is successful.

Safety remains important to William, who has had his small grow operation undergo electrical, fire and safety checks.

William said the plant-based herb has been used to treat a variety of medical conditions such as AIDS, cancer patients, and glaucoma.

"I will never return to medications like Oxycotin again," he said.

William didn't like the side-effects of the medication he used to take but marijuana leaves him feeling like himself.

"If you have Lupus, arthritis, or other diseases, I would encourage people to try it. The list of illnesses (that medical marijuana can help) continues to grow every day," William said.

William has taken a number of steps to ensure he is following Oxycotin to treat his illness in the past but turned to marijuana after researching the benefits of it.

"It's a liberating feeling you have when you finally get your license to grow and you realize how much better you feel," William said.

"To have it (my license) be pulled is a terrible feeling."

As of April 1, new regulations put in place by Health



SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

William tends to the cannabis he grows in his home. The Fort Erie resident is concerned about the changes to regulations for growing medical marijuana which will take effect in April.

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Canada will make home grow operations such as William's illegal and make pot farming a legitimate industry.

The changes for new regulations for the distribution of medical marijuana were announced by Minister of Health Leona Aglukkaq in June.

Under the new regulations, production will take place in commercial facilities with security measures in place such as video surveillance and have security clearance from the Ministry of Health.

Licensed producers will

comply with regulations for quality control standards, maintain comprehensive records, inventories of marijuana, and security system to protect against selling it illegally.

Marijuana will be sent to registered clients through a secure courier, and all grow operations require a quality assurance worker.

Plants must be indoors and the site have restricted access areas, including all areas where a licensed activity is conducted with marijuana.

Both commercial and home operations will continue until March 31, 2014. After that, Health Canada will no longer produce and distribute marijuana for medical purposes.

Detective Sgt. Lou Greco, Det. with the Niagara Regional Police, Guns, Gangs and Gang unit, said the federal government introduced the medical marijuana program in 2001.

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## Town loses director of financial services

The Town of Fort Erie's director of financial services and treasurer is moving on.

Heleen Chamberlain has hung up her hat at the town after serving Fort Erie for almost seven years.

Chamberlain has accepted a position as the Niagara Region's director of financial management and planning.

Chamberlain came to Fort Erie from the Region when she was appointed the Town's

manager of accounting services and deputy treasurer. She spearheaded the transition to a new public sector accounting regime.

A year later, Chamberlain was promoted to her current position as the town's treasurer. She also served as Interim Chief Administrative Officer.

Chamberlain was responsible for the Town's annual \$40 million budget and long-term financial sustainability plans.

## Kinsmen Club celebrates 94th anniversary

The Kinsmen and Kinettes Clubs of Greater Fort Erie have asked community to come out and declare Feb. 20 as Kinsmen and Kinettes Day as well as declare Feb. 16 to 22 as Kinsmen and Kinettes Week.

Kinsmen and Kinettes Day will coincide with the association's 94th anniversary.

As part of the celebration, the association has also requested that the Kini flag be flown on the flagpole at town hall.

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## It's important to support schools because they shape our children's lives



**Sarah Ferguson**  
Editor's Notebook

It's been a long time since I was a student at St. Philomena's Catholic School.

This week, I started thinking about what I remember from my time there.

I met with a teacher at Our Lady of Victory to talk about the school's upcoming past dinner and dance fundraiser that will be held

on Friday, Jan. 31 at the school.

The event will help gather funds for all of the students' upcoming year-end trips.

OLV's older students will go camping at Camp Medeva in Halliburton.

Other grades will visit local destinations such as Marineland or one of the sites in Niagara Falls.

After learning how the fundraiser will help pay for students' field trips, I recalled some of the trips I had taken like my Grade 8 trip to Ottawa.

I must admit that elementary school was not my favourite time of life. There are some parts of it that I think I'd like to forget.

I was shy, and didn't really speak to anyone unless I

was spoken to. I guess you could call it my awkward stage\* of life.

But I do have a lot of good memories of being an elementary student.

I don't recall everything I learned inside the classroom or all of the books I read.

But what I do remember are some of the people and the fun activities we did to make elementary school a special experience.

I remember every year, St. Philomena would have a bazaar near the end of the school year. I think the bazaar was the event I looked forward to the most.

I would always visit the kindergarten room first to try my luck at the cake walk.

The cake walk was a game a lot like musical chairs. The goal of the game was to make sure you were one of the players in a seat when the music stopped. Each round, a chair was removed. The last person sitting in the final chair was the winner of a delicious cake.

Each year, I always seemed to manage to win one of the sweet, delectable treats.

I also have wonderful memories of some of my teachers.

My Grade 3 teacher would often read books by Roald Dahl. She read everything from Matilda, To The Witches and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. She made it entertaining by reading the novels in different voices.

I'd say she fueled my passion for reading and an obsession with Roald Dahl that I still have today.

I also remember singing in the Christmas choir every year. Even though I was absolutely terrible—at the time I thought I was the next Britney Spears, or Spice Girl—my teacher always encouraged me to join.

Although learning is an important part of education, I think it's the people and the events that shape a person.

I may not remember everything I learned in school, but the experiences I had in school have made me the person I am today.

That's why it's important to support schools when they hold fundraisers like



## Do You Remember?

The lady in the centre of last week's photo taken at a blood donor clinic was identified as Kim Walton Steenhuis by Kim's family and Jeanette Beaudoin.

Kim was an RNA working at this clinic which was either held at the old Fort Erie Legion or St. Michael's Catholic

Church in 1978.

Our thanks to Jeanette and to Kim's mother, Eileen Walton, her sisters, Debbie Walton and Rossi Raymond and Steenhuis' daughter, Shanna Beaudoin.

They told us what a pleasant surprise it was to see Kim's photo as it brought back so

many happy memories of her. What happy model car enthusiasts!

If you know anyone in the photo or are yourself one of the young women, please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-884-5322 or e-mail your tips to museum@forterie.on.ca.

the one OLV is planning for next Friday because they help give students' memories that will last a lifetime.

The pasta dinner and dance will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The event is for adults only. Tickets are \$15 per person and takeout will be available from 3:30 p.m. to

The school can accommodate about 150 people so guests are encouraged to arrive early.

For more information about the fundraiser, people are encouraged to call the school at 905-871-3092.

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## opinion page

# Learn the true story of Captain Richard Phillips



**Amy Roeckuck**  
Fort Erie Public Library

In just one day, at two branches of the Fort Erie Public Library, there are four special events on offer for age groups ranging from newborn to adult.

Here are the listings for today, Jan. 23. This evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Centennial branch, Captain Phillips,

true story of Captain Richard Phillips and the 2009 hijacking by Somali pirates of the MV Maersk Alabama, the first cargo ship flying an American flag to be hijacked in the past two centuries.

This dramatic adventure biography starring Tom Hanks in the title role has been nominated for six Oscar and four Golden Globes.

Other movies playing this week include Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure 2 p.m. family movie, Paddington 1 p.m. movie starring Hugh Jackman and Jake Gyllenhaal, Monday evening's feature film, Admission to movies is \$3.

This afternoon at 1:30 at the Centennial branch, the Born to Read Storytime for newborn babies through those about to take their first

steps and their parent or caregiver, features bounces, tickles, rhymes, music, movement, book sharing and more.

There is no need to register for this program.

The Harry Potter Club for Grades 5 and up will be in session at the Centennial branch this afternoon at 4 p.m.

Hogwarts School wants you! Be sorted into your house, learn to play Quidditch, and study subjects such as Potions, Astronomy, Herbology, and Charms. You do not need to have read the books or seen the movies to join the club, but pre-registration is appreciated.

Are you interested in learning to knit, or in practicing knitting?

Every Thursday evening in January and February at the Crystal Ridge branch, beginning at 6:30 p.m., young people ages 8-14 years old—and a grown-up or two—are welcome to come with members of the Bowen Road Women's Institute, who supply encouragement, advice, and materials, all for free.

Ready to Read sessions are for 18 months and up take place at the Centennial branch on Tuesday noon, and at Crystal Ridge on Wednesdays.

There is time for reading, writing, talking, singing and playing during Ready to Read.

The Magic Tree House Book Club at Crystal Ridge will entertain children in Grades 1 and up on Tuesday,

Jan. 28 beginning at 4 p.m.

There is no need to pre-register for either of these programs; sessions are \$2 each.

The big event of the week is the annual spelling bee, presented on Wednesday, Jan. 29 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Centennial branch, in partnership with the Adult Literacy Council of Greater Fort Erie.

Celebrity spellers have agreed to put their skills—and bragging rights—on the line for the benefit of literacy and we hope that plenty of students, including homeschooled, in Grades 3 through 8 will do the same.

It is not too late to register, and there is no fee to join in the spelling or to cheer and watch.

Word lists are on the web-

site [www.fepi.ca](http://www.fepi.ca) for practice.

The library is not just about books, DVDs, or programs for children and adults.

We also have public use computers for all ages, individualized help in using your iPad or tablet to access free books and magazines, meeting rooms available for rent and much more.

Ask at your nearest branch for more information about what the library can do for you.

**Amy Roeckuck** is the community services coordinator for the Fort Erie Public Library.

# Your smart phone could slowly be killing you



**Dr. Gifford Jones**  
*The Doctor's Game*

Could smart phones be slowly killing us?

Some experts feel we're living in an Alice-in-Wonderland world if we ignore radiation from these electronic devices. So today, here's an example of what can go wrong.

The Environmental Health Trust's Newsletter reports an unusual case.

A young woman, with no predisposing risk factors for cancer, made a practical decision. She decided to carry her cell phone in her bra. Today with so many cell phones being snatched from

people, I give her top marks for ingenuity and increased security.

Unfortunately, she developed breast cancer. But what shocked doctors was that the pattern of the cancer lined up perfectly with the shape of the cell phone.

This single case does not prove that radiation caused the malignancy.

But if I were a woman I would not push my luck. I'd sure choose another location to carry my cell phone.

So, where is the problem?

Experts on radiation have warned us for years about "dirty electricity" from cell phones and other electrical appliances.

Our homes were originally using a safe frequency of 60 Hertz (Hz).

Now, transformers convert

60 Hz to low voltage power

for electronic devices. This creates micro surges of electricity that comes up to 2,500 times the energy of a conventional 60 Hz electrical system.

Since everyone, including children, will continue to use cell phones, what can be done to decrease the risk?

We can all practice what in Europe is called the "Precautionary Principle" while means using old-fashioned incandescent light bulbs.

Children are at particular risk since they have thinner skull bones, making it easier

for cell phone radiation to penetrate deeper into the mid brain. They also face a lifetime exposure which places them at greater risk for parotid and deeper brain tumours.

Ideally, children should avoid the electromagnetic radiation of cell phones, or use them only for an emergency.

Parents should also stop allowing children to sleep with cell phones under their pillows, something I did for 10 years for hours at close quarters.

Everyone should turn off cell phones not in use and use the speaker on the phone to keep it away from their ears. Being held just a short distance away can decrease radiation exposure from 1,000 to 10,000 times.

Remember that texting with a phone exposes a person to the same amount of radiation as talking on the phone.

So use cell phones like computers most of the time very carefully, as it will take years to know the full extent of the danger.

This means bans are for basso phones. It's also prudent not to place a cell phone in a shirt pocket over the heart. And if men want to decrease their sperm count, place it in pants pockets.

For years I've warned readers about the potential dangers of excessive exposure to X-rays and CT scans.

For example, a CT scan of the abdomen produces 500 times more radiation than a single chest X-ray and 1,000 more times than a dental

X-ray or bone mineral densitometry test. This is why I've urged the government to issue radiation cards so that each person knows their total radiation exposure.

I'm also convinced we cannot ignore the danger of electromagnetic radiation from smart phones. It's the old story of "Caveat emptor," let the buyer beware.

See website [HYPERLINK "http://www.docgiff.com"](http://www.docgiff.com) www.docgiff.com For comments info@docgiff.com

## Correction

Incorrect information appeared in last week's edition of The Times in an article about a potential medical marijuanna facility coming to Fort Erie.

It should have said "Cannacure will be focusing on the production of medical marijuanna. One of our main products will not have the 'euphoric' effects of the plant," Gagne explained.

Cannacure will be partnering with area businesses that will be utilizing the product into various medical forms—topical and edible—to provide patient care. Potential products are suitable for treating patients as young and five and as old as 95.

Times regrets the error.

# Bruce Moore remembered for his passion for the community

Sarah Ferguson  
Fort Erie Times

Debbie Moore thinks her husband Bruce Moore will be remembered most for the

love he had for his family. "He took such good care of me and our daughters,"

Debbie said. Debbie said her husband's other passion in life was to serve the community he lived in.

"He worked full-time at John Deere but he was very community minded," Debbie said.

"He was never afraid to call an ace of spades an ace of spades. A lot of people in town thought of him as a moral person and he was instrumental in building (Fort Erie's) new town hall and the arena (in the 1990s)," she added.

Bruce died last Monday at the Toronto General Hospital in Toronto. He was 64 years old.

Bruce had been sick for two years but he kept it quiet," Debbie said.

He was waiting for a second liver transplant after his first surgery was unsuccessful.

"(Bruce) never gave up on hope and life. Even in the hospital, he said he had the heart of a lion," Debbie said.

Bruce attended night classes at B r o c k University and "worked his way up from the assembly line to project manager," Debbie said.

D e b i e met Bruce more than 40 years ago when he moved to Fort Erie.

"We would have been married 44 years by March. He always said to me I was searching for you and I found you in Fort Erie." He was always very romantic, even right up until the end."



Bruce Moore

Fort Erie Mayor John Teal remembers Bruce as "a great guy."

"He was on the first council when I was elected as mayor in 1986," Teal said.

Teal worked with Bruce for 10 years on council.

He described Bruce as "a straight shooter, a very logical thinker and a team player."

"As a councillor, he would be held up as an example to anyone. Bruce really served the community well and he gave his time to the community," Teal said.

Even though there were times Teal didn't agree with Bruce's political opinion, Teal said Bruce was always a professional.

"He came from a good place in every decision that he made. He had reasons for decisions he supported and when he didn't support something he had a number of reasons why he disagreed with you."

Teal said Bruce was well-respected for his service as a councillor.

"When election time came around, he proved himself. I think the people knew that. I think he did well and they awarded him with re-election," Teal said.

A funeral was held yesterday at Benner Funeral Services, 1105 Benner Ave. in Fort Erie. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorial donations made to the Trillium Gift of Life or Doctors Without Borders.

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## Stamford Hearing Clinic

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Have you  
HEARD?  
by Abbie Miller, M.Cl.Sc  
Fitter Audiologist  
Doctor in Audiology, Audiologist

ROCK TAKES IT TOLL

If you're a Baby Boomer who has attended your share of rock concerts, you may have the same problem as many others: tinnitus. It's a condition that can affect young adults but is also more common among older people. Those who play instruments or attend rock shows on a regular basis are at increased risk for chronic tinnitus. This hearing problem is usually symptomatic of "presbycusis," or age-related hearing loss. Presbycusis is a gradual loss of hearing over time. These cells translate sound vibrations into brain signals and do not regenerate once damaged, permanently from exposure to noise.

The symptoms of presbycusis may resemble other conditions, such as hypertension, so it's important to see a doctor for a diagnosis. We offer virtually every brand, model and type of hearing aid available and will consider your individual personal preferences and your specific needs. In addition, we offer a wide variety of hearing aids. These aids translate sound vibrations into brain signals and do not regenerate once damaged, permanently from exposure to noise.

Pt. 1: Difficulty hearing in noisy environment - one of the first perceptible signs or hearing loss because filtering out ambient noise is necessary. Read more from this issue

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# Quit smoking and find support during National Non-Smoking Week

**Sarah Ferguson**  
Fort Erie Times

Local agencies are looking to help people begin their journey to quit smoking.

In honour of National Non-Smoking Week this week, Quest Community Health Centre, Bridges Community Health Centre, the Smokers Helpline, Heart

Niagara, Niagara Region Public Health and the Canadian Cancer Society will gather at the Pen Centre in St. Catharines on Friday to offer information about how to quit smoking, said Monica Bennett, the Canadian Cancer Society's senior coordinator for the Central West Region.

Participants must choose a buddy to help them go tobacco free, register by Feb. 28 and stay smoke free for the month of March.

"The best health you can do for your health is to quit smoking," Bennett said.

"We know that it (smoking) is the number one cause of preventable death and disease. We also know it kills more people than murder, suicide, AIDS and motor vehicle accidents combined," Bennett added.

Smoking is one of the hardest addictions to break and Bennett said she wants people to know there is help.

"People have to quit it, average of five to seven times before they're successful at it. The more times people quit, the more likely they are to be successful," she said.

For more information about the Driven to Quit Challenge visit online at [www.driventquitoquit.ca](http://www.driventquitoquit.ca)

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## NOTICE OF STEP-DOWN FROM GROUP 'B' TO GROUP 'C' PROJECT

### QEWS Bridge Replacements At Lyons Creek And Tee Creek Preliminary Design And Class Environmental Assessment Study G.W.P. 2177-08-00

#### THE PROJECT

URS Canada Inc. (URS) has been retained by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to undertake a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study (G.W.P. 2177-08-00) for the rehabilitation/replacement of the QEWS Lyons Creek and Tee Creek bridges located in the City of Niagara Falls, Region of Niagara. This study has examined bridge replacement alternatives, including construction staging and detour alternatives.

The Recommended Plan includes replacement of the QEWS Lyons Creek bridges and the Tee Creek northbound bridge at their existing location with single-span bridges and rehabilitation of the southbound Tee Creek bridge. To facilitate bridge construction, the QEWS is proposed to be closed to traffic during bridge construction operations in each direction (one median cross-overs). Temporary ramp closures will be required at the QEWS Lyons Creek Road interchange to facilitate construction. The details of ramp closures will be confirmed at the next phase of this project.

#### THE PROCESS

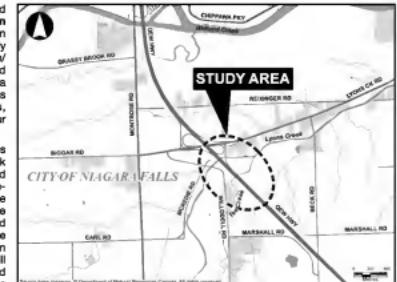
This study has followed the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project under the MTO Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000). The Recommended Plan is not anticipated to result in significant environmental or community effects, therefore this study is being "stepped-down" from a Group 'B' to a Group 'C' project. As a Group 'C' project, an Environmental Screening Document (ESD) will be prepared to document the study process, recommended improvements, consultation undertaken during the study and potential environmental issues and mitigation measures. The ESD will not be made available for public review and comment and there is no Part II Order ("bump-up") request opportunity provided for a Group 'C' project.

This notification marks the beginning of the 30-day review period in which potentially affected parties may request MTO to reconsider the decision to step down to a Group 'C' project. Requests should initially be sent to MTO and URS Canada Inc. (see contact information below) within the 30-day review period (ending Friday, February 21, 2014). If the parties cannot agree, the objector has the right to request the Minister of the Environment (in writing, to: 77 Wellesley Street West, Ferguson Block, 11th Floor, Toronto, ON M7A 2T5), to rule on the request. It is the responsibility of the objector to forward the request to the Minister of the Environment before the end of the 30-day review period. If there are no outstanding concerns at the end of the 30-day review period (ending Friday, February 21, 2014) the study will proceed as a Group 'C' project under the MTO Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000).

#### COMMENTS

If you have any questions, comments or require further information about the proposed improvements, please contact:

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Comments are being collected to assist MTO in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

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"There are at least over 50 (home grow operations) in the Niagara region that we're aware but that number is likely much higher," he said.

When the new regulations are in place, Greco said police expect former home grow operations to respect the changes.

"It is a grey area and it will be interesting to see what happens. As of the specific date, people who currently have the licences will not be allowed to grow," Greco said.

If police believe there are people who aren't following the new regulations and continue their home grow operations, Greco said police will revisit known addresses of home grow operations.

"We will do investigations and if we believe there is enough evidence, we'll obtain a search warrant."

Greco said he expects special interest groups to lobby the government about the changes to grow operations, but the coming changes were made for a reason.

"The purpose behind the regulations is to protect the community safety," he said.

"With Cannabis says you have to comply with safety standards that people should be following, but in some cases people have not been following it with by not having proper ventilation."

William doesn't agree with the new regulations that will be put in place because of the cost difference. He can grow his own medical marijuana for 50 cents to \$1 per gram, but the cost of purchasing it from a commercial grower would range from \$9 per gram to \$15 and delivery.

William said he doesn't plan on stopping his small operation in his home.

"If I'm caught and brought to court, I'll tell the judge I'll still continue to grow," he said.

"I tell him, 'Your Honour, I'll continue to grow and once you let me go, I'll go to the store and get everything I need. I'll be starting my new grow operation when you're in your bed tonight.'

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# YOUR HEALTH



**President's own story:** 15 years ago I started to have arthritis, prostate, kidney, hearing and sleep apnea problems, which were all helped quickly with natural health products. I made it my life's purpose to help others. **Nick A. Jarch**



## ARTHRITIS



NPN 80042323 Helps to relieve joint pain associated with osteoarthritis.

**Truthful actual experience from real people:**

- For 4 years I had injections and drugs and finally Bell Shark Cartilage #1 solved my endless torture. I suffered day and night. Pat Loughlin, Cooperside, ON ■ My back is 95% pain free. Pain killing drugs make and Bell Shark Cartilage heals. Rebeca Hill, Oroville, CA ■ I tried another brand and pain came back. 2 weeks on Bell and pain is gone again. Bill Oupuis, Hamton, ON ■ For 32 years I cried barrels of tears. Was in and out of hospitals costing society tens of thousands of dollars. I have seen many thousands of pills that nearly killed me. Finally 3 tablets of Bell Shark Cartilage costing less than \$100 stopped a lifetime of suffering without side effects. Eleanor Sausse, Shippewa, QC ■ I suffered for years with sciatica. I tried everything else and after taking a specialty processor shark cartilage I was pain free in 2 weeks. After this experience I realized I could help many of those 3 million Canadian that suffer every day and night and I started to sell this same type of shark cartilage and helped hundreds of people get relief. I am now a distributor for Bell. Mark Jones President of Bell Lifestyle Products ■ Many people on our website write: "Can walk again for hours"; "Can climb stairs without hopping or on crutches"; "First time in 15 years can sleep it right"; "Rheumatoid pain in joints down 50%, same for my sister... hundreds of testimonials all with full names and towns. Shark cartilage is a previously thrown away by-product of the food industry. No sharks are caught for their cartilage. Don't let any activist confuse you."

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## High Blood Pressure?

NPN 80040280. To maintain cardiovascular health in adults.

High blood pressure is called the silent killer. If your BP is higher than normal, try to get it down to about 120/80. For many people it is easy to control. If it does not work for you we refund your money. On our website you will find over 50 testimonials with full names and towns from all over USA and Canada. Most of them have tested pharmaceuticals and are still taking them. No one wants to be a statistic. No more waste for pharmaceutical companies. Dr. C. Hammond M.D., Ph.D. recommends this effective bell peptide blood pressure natural product. So does Dr. Julian Whitaker M.D.

**Truthful actual experience from real people:** ■ I was on 3 blood pressure drugs that did not work well. After starting Bell #5 my readings are generally well below 120/80. Doreen A. Anderson, 75, Scotia, BC ■ My blood pressure was 157/90 and has since dropped to 120/80. I am taking Bell #5. I am so happy. After 6 months on Bell #5 my blood pressure went from 157/90 down to 120/80. Lori L. McCullough, 52, Elizabethtown, PA ■ Blood pressure went from 178/120 down to 110/70. Was on three medications that didn't help. Within a month on Bell#5 my BP dropped to 110/70. I thought I'd need it anymore and BP went up to 170/10 again. I will stay on Bell. I am surprised at its effectiveness without side effects. Bell exceeds my expectations. Patrick McManus, 52, Edmonton, AB ■ At work my doctor's medical test was too high at 170/100. After taking Bell #26 for a few days I went down to 125/84 which allowed me to pass my medical test. Kris Baker, 48, Windsor, ON



## Calming Stress

NPN 80041855 Helps to promote healthy mood balance, relaxation.

Also as a sleep aid and mental stress.

- Truthful actual experience from real people: ■ I am calm now in stressful situations! In the past 10 years I had a very short hair, because my job is quite unpredictable. After I started Bell Calming Chronic Stress #6 the difference was amazing. My reactions to stressful situations are totally changed. I also have more energy, too. I don't yell at others. I have more patience and I am much happier overall. Thank you. Mary-Anne Thompson, 51, Learie, ON ■ I am sleeping greatly from anxiety. Standard treatments did not help. I am taking Bell #5 and I am sleeping great. Linda, Remington Stress #26. It has been helping me a lot. I am on my 3rd bottle. Remington Fletcher, 50, Pottsville, PA ■ I have a very high stress career in the film industry. There was no time for relaxation or meditation for me to do for 12-15 hours with no breaks. Since using Bell #68 am able to focus on the tasks at hand with more patients. Thank you for your help. Christina DiCarlo, Burnaby, BC ■ It's exactly what I wanted. I am sleeping better and I feel better. Our son's eye #14 was going through puberty and had become quite unmanageable, because he is much larger than I am. We are delighted with the immediate results. Our older son became his former sweet self and our younger son's (12) anxiety is dramatically reduced. Thank you so much. Donna Van Veen, 48, Grand Prairie, AB

100% Truthful testimonials with full name and town. Real people you can call. If you need more reassurance, More tests on the Bell website. No money is paid for testimonials. To ensure this product is right for you, always read label and follow the instructions.

## Bladder & Yeast Infection

NPN 80038535 A diuretic to help relieve mild urinary tract infections.

**True stories experienced by women:** ■ Bladder & Yeast Infection #31 works within a day or two. My experience is that 4-5 days of symptoms of an infection. I take two capsules for a day or two and the infection is gone. I love this product. Pat Pearce, 53, Brampton, ON ■ 35 years of bladder infections gone! For 30 years my doctor prescribed antibiotics. As soon as the medication finished the next bladder infection came back. After 2 days taking Bell #31 I noticed a complete relief of my infection. I had all these 30 years. God bless you all for helping all of us women. Emell Whaler, 69, Bronx, NY ■ Bladder infections kept on coming back. Since starting Bell Bladder & Yeast Infection #31 my infection was gone and I now take it from time to time for prevention and I have no more bladder or yeast infections. I feel good and know how good Bell products are. Thank you! Marla Raso, 60, Vancouver, BC ■ Went to the bathroom 10 times in an hour and more frequently at night. In the last 2 years I went a number of times to the doctor and got different antibiotics and none of them worked. My urination would burn enormously I bought your Bell Bladder & Yeast Infection #31. I can now work all day or sleep at night without getting up to go to the bathroom. I am not afraid anymore to drink water when I am thirsty. Prarie the Lord Thank you! Herriet Preister, 60, North Charleston, SC ■ MUST HELP OR MONEY REFUNDED

NPN 80041919, Alternative for skin conditions such as Eczema, Psoriasis.

**Actual results:** ■ After 1 week my severe acne disappeared and my skin improved 2 weeks. I am not experiencing any breakouts. I am a 15 year old girl with a history of having acne and extremely dry, irritated skin. Bell #60 "saved my life". My skin is now beautiful and you can't believe how I suffered from acne and other skin problems for years. Zach Lustigman, 18, Ottawa, ON ■ Spend 30 minutes every day popping and picking my face. Since puberty I had acne and irritation, today. After starting Bell #60 my acne cleared up, itching stopped, no more breakouts. I keep lots nice on my face again. Thanks for an amazing natural product that really works. Adrea Matlow, 38, Etobicoke, ON ■ MUST HELP OR MONEY REFUNDED

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# Niagara Regional Police look after safety of Crystal Beach cottages

Sarah Ferguson  
Fort Erie Times

The roar of ATVs could be heard along Erie Rd. last Thursday as two Niagara Regional Police officers zoomed along the shoreline.

Officers Chris Stewart and Chris Sirie were out making rounds along Erie Rd., Point Abino rd. and other parts of

Crystal Beach to ensure cottages left vacant during the winter months were secure.

The NRP strives to promote security for citizens, even citizens that leave once cottage season is over, Const. Rich Gadreau said.

"We're out here patrolling at this time of year because during the winter months, there isn't enough traffic,"

Gadreau said.

"Because some of the homes are left vacant, some residences have become targets (for burglars) and it makes people think they have access to the goods inside," he added.

Gadreau said police patrol regularly in Crystal Beach to check for signs that cottages have been burglarized while a homeowner has been away during the winter months.

"We also use some resources such as the ATVs to do checks along the shoreline," he said.

"We use the ATVs a couple times a year and it really helps us to get a good view of homes along the lakeside."

In the past, the surveillance of cottages have led police to track down homes that have been invaded before notified homeowners.

Thursday was "a good day" because there was a light dusting of snow on the ground.

"The snow helps make it easier to track when people are coming and going," Gadreau said.

Although every home appeared to be secure during Thursday's patrol, Gadreau encourages people

to regularly ensure their homes are protected.

If a homeowner knows he or she is going to be away for an extended period of time, Gadreau said homes should have lights that are on a timer and turn on once motion is detected.

"Don't make yourself an easy target. People usually go for the homes that are out of sight, in the dark and not visible," Gadreau said.

Gadreau also recommends asking a neighbour or family member to watch over the property on a regular basis.

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SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

Niagara Regional Police were out in Crystal Beach last Thursday, Jan. 16, performing checks on cottages.

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## Who will be selected for Fort Erie Time's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Volunteer Recognition Awards?

We're extremely proud of the contributions volunteers make to our community. We all know many of these often unsung heroes who add so much to the quality of life in Greater Fort Erie - let's put their names forward for official recognition by The Fort Erie Time's and its Readers and the Citizens of Greater Fort Erie in a special section in the Fort Erie Times. Simply complete the nomination form, submitting the volunteer's name in one of the following categories:

- |                                 |                        |   |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1. Work with Seniors            | 6. Education           | 10. Working with those with special needs |
| 2. Work with Youth              | 7. Sports & Recreation | 11. Volunteers under 21                   |
| 3. Historical Contribution      | 8. Safety              | 12. Community Events                      |
| 4. Cultural (Arts, Music, etc.) | 9. Service Clubs       |   |
| 5. Protecting the Environment   |                        |   |

In addition to the 12 categories listed, if you wish to submit a new category for recognition please submit the category and we will give it consideration to be added to the list. All names submitted must include a letter of supporting information stating why your nominee should win. Nominations will be gathered by the Fort Erie Times to be forwarded to the selection committee. One volunteer in each category will be selected to be honoured by the Fort Erie Times at a special ceremony and will be profiled in the Fort Erie Times.

### VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

I wish to nominate:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Category: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: (and phone #)

1. Complete the nomination form along with a brief note outlining the nomination. Due BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014
2. Mail, fax, phone, e-mail or bring off your nomination to The Fort Erie Times 459 Garrison Road, Fort Erie Ontario L2A 1N3 or E-Mail [myra.lobertson@sunmedia.ca](mailto:myra.lobertson@sunmedia.ca)
3. Selected volunteers must agree to appear in a special feature story or another nominee will be selected.
4. Nominations are limited to people who live in the Town of Greater Fort Erie Area.

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**Nomination Deadline**  
Friday February 7th 2014

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Take notice that on Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Council of the Town of Fort Erie will hold a public meeting pursuant to *The Development Charges Act, 1997*, regarding proposed development charge rates and policies that will be applied throughout the Town. It is proposed that enactment of a development charges by-law by Council would occur on a date subsequent to the public meeting.

Development charges are levied against new development, and are a primary source of funding for growth-related capital expenditures. The 2014 Development Charges Background Study relates to the provision of all eligible DC Services (i.e. – Library, Fire, Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Administration, Roads, Storm Water, Water and Wastewater).

Council is required under *The Development Charges Act, 1997*, to hold at least one public meeting to allow the public the opportunity to review and provide comments on the 2014 Development Charges Background Study, related staff reports and the proposed development charges by-law.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public meeting:

Date:	Tuesday, February 18, 2014
Time:	7:00 PM
Location:	Council Chambers, Town Hall, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, ON

Any person may attend the public meeting and make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the by-law. Written submissions are invited and should be directed to Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk (ckett@forterie.on.ca) no later than 12:00 noon on Wednesday February 12, 2014. Written comments received prior to the meeting and submissions made at the public meeting will be considered by Council prior to the enactment of a new development charges by-law.

Technical inquiries should be directed to Helen Chamberlain, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer at 905-871-1600 x2300 or hchamberlain@forterie.on.ca

Copies of the 2014 Development Charges Background Study and the proposed development charges by-law will be available through the Town's website [www.town.forterie.ca](http://www.town.forterie.ca) on February 4, 2014, or earlier.

DATED AT the Town of Fort Erie this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2014.

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

### TO CONSIDER THE ZAVITZ MUNICIPAL DRAIN ENGINEER'S REPORT

The Drainage Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter D.17

Pursuant to Section 78 of the *Drainage Act*, AMEC Environment & Infrastructure filed a copy of the Zavitz Municipal Drain Engineer's Report dated July 2013 with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie. The watershed area affected by the Zavitz Drain is the Sherkston North Branch Drain and East and West Trail Branch Drains. It is a joint drain between the Town of Fort Erie and the City of Port Colborne.

The purpose of the Engineer's Report is generally for maintenance and repair works and to update the assessment schedule.

The Engineer's Report was submitted to the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013 for information and it was subsequently deemed necessary to undertake revisions as requested by the City of Port Colborne. Minor changes were then made to the Report by the Drainage Engineer and it was resubmitted to the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Section 41 of the *Drainage Act* requires a public meeting to be held to consider the Engineer's Report. Costs have been assessed to all landowners within the Zavitz Drain watershed area. Affected landowners are invited to attend the public meeting for information and/or to address any concerns. A notice of the public meeting and a copy of the Engineer's Report have been mailed to all landowners within the watershed.

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie will hold the public meeting as follows and intends to consider a by-law to approve the Engineer's Report:

Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.  
in the Council Chambers at Town Hall  
1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie.

A copy of the Engineer's Report for the Zavitz Municipal Drain is available for viewing at the Clerk's Office at Town Hall or online at [www.forterie.on.ca](http://www.forterie.on.ca).

Enquiries may be directed to: Drainage Engineer, Mr. Paul Smeltzer of AMEC Environment & Infrastructure at 1-905-335-2353 or email paul.smeltzer@amec.com, or

Mr. Robert Judd, Drainage Superintendent for the Town of Fort Erie at 905-871-1600, ext 2412 or email rjudd@forterie.on.ca.

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## NOTICE OF PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, ss.34(18), O.Reg. 545/06

APPLICANT: TOWN OF FORT ERIE

FILE #: 350309-0374

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed **By-law Number 07-2014** on the **20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014** under section 34 of The Planning Act, 1990

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the **12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014**, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf. No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

### OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for an Official Plan Amendment application and the adopted Official Plan Amendment No. 18 was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below. No key map showing the location of the lands to which the By-law applies is shown since the by-law applies to all lands within the corporation limits of the Town of Fort Erie. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office and Community and Development Services office during regular office hours and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: [www.forterie.on.ca](http://www.forterie.on.ca).

### PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose of this amendment is to amend Zoning By-law No. 129-90 to set out specific regulations for Medical Marijuana Grow and Production Facilities within the Agricultural A Zone, Rural RU Zone, Industrial IN Zone, Prestige Industrial PI Zone, and Existing Open Space EOS Zone. The proposed amendment will amend "Section 5 – Definitions" by amending the definition of "Agricultural" and by adding definitions for "Medical Marijuana Grow and Production Facilities" and "Sensitive Land Use". The proposed amendment will also amend "Section 7 – Agricultural A Zone", "Section 8 – Rural RU Zone", "Section 27 – Industrial IN Zone", "Section 28 – Prestige Industrial (P1) Zone" and "Section 33A: EOS Zone – Existing Open Space Zone" by adding "medical marijuana grow and production facilities" as a permitted use and by adding regulations for Medical Marijuana Grow and Production Facilities. In addition, "Section 33 – OS Zone – Open Space" will be amended by deleting "Agricultural uses" as a permitted use. Lastly, "Section 34 – Hazard (H) Zone" will be amended by excluding "medical marijuana grow and production facilities" as a permitted use.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 20th DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

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## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

### MEDICAL MARIJUANA GROW AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES

**Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P 13, ss.17(23), O.Reg. 543/06**

APPLICANT: TOWN OF FORT ERIE

FILE #: 350302-0086

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-law Number 06-2014 being a by-law to adopt Amendment #18 to the Official Plan for the Town of Fort Erie Planning Area on the 20th day of January, 2014 under Section 22 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the **12th day of February, 2014** a notice of the appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal and the specific part of the proposed official plan amendment to which the appeal applies. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment #18 is exempt from approval by the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received before or on the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

No key map showing the location of the lands to which the By-law applies is shown since the by-law applies to all lands within the corporation limits of the Town of Fort Erie.

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the Municipality to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the plan was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

#### PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of Amendment No. 18 is to amend the Town of Fort Erie's Official Plan to establish policies to permit medical marijuana grow and production facilities within Industrial Business Park Areas and Open Space areas outside the urban area. In addition, the amendment establishes policies with regard to separation distances from these medical marijuana grow and production facilities and policies to control these facilities through site plan control.

#### INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE AMENDMENT

Information pertaining to the proposed Official Plan Amendment application and the adopted Official Plan Amendment #18 is available at the Clerk's Office and the Development and Community Services Office during regular office hours, and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: [www.forterie.on.ca](http://www.forterie.on.ca).

#### OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for Zoning By-law Amendment, File No. 350309-374, was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town Fort Erie on January 20th, 2014.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 23rd day of January, 2014.

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

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Two (2) Vacancies



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One (1) Vacancy



### BUSINESS/SHOPPING

Crystal Beach BIA  
One (1) Vacancy



### FLOWERS/BEAUTIFICATION

Communities-in-Bloom Committee  
Five (5) Vacancies



### TEENAGERS Ages 13-21

Mayor's Youth  
Advisory Committee  
Five (5) Vacancies



### ZOOMERS 50+

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee  
Two (2) Vacancies



For more information on these boards and committees, please see By-laws establishing each of the boards/committees at the Town's website: [www.forterie.on.ca](http://www.forterie.on.ca) under Town Hall "C" for "Committees".

We look forward to receiving your application by Wednesday, February 12, 2014 by 4:00 p.m. Applications are available:

- On the Town's website [www.forterie.on.ca](http://www.forterie.on.ca) under Public Notices – Board and Committee Vacancies, or from the Clerk's Office.
- Or you can submit a letter setting out relevant background information.

Submissions will be accepted by the Clerk via:

1. Email: [ckett@forterie.on.ca](mailto:ckett@forterie.on.ca)
2. Mail: Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6
3. Hand delivery to the Customer Service Desk, Town Hall
4. Fax: 905-871-4022

Cheryl Watson, Legislative Assistant, welcomes enquiries at 905-871-1600 ext. 2212 or email: [cwatson@forterie.on.ca](mailto:cwatson@forterie.on.ca)

This information is being collected pursuant to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used to select persons for appointments to Town of Fort Erie boards and committees. A public open ballot process is used when an election is required to select an appointee. The ballots are public documents.

Carolyn J. Kett, Town Clerk, Town of Fort Erie

# Program inspires youth to make post secondary education a goal

**Peace Bridge Public School welcomes Brock University's Youth University program**

Sarah Ferguson  
Fort Erie Times

An afterschool program aims to inspire youth to aspire to receive a post-secondary education.

Brock University's Youth

University program will see student volunteers mentor youth in Grades 6 to 8 at Peace Bridge Public School, said program manager Greg Zwiep. Mentoring is also offered to high school students in Grade 10 and under. The mentoring occurs in conjunction with a program designed to raise awareness about post-secondary education and support readiness and assist with financial literacy.

Brock University volunteers will visit Peace Bridge

Public School once a week every Wednesday afternoon until April.

Each week, students will receive tutoring and hands-on activities that will help youth connect their interests with future careers.

"We'll do lots of fun activities and the focus is to find what they (the students) are interested in," Zwiep said.

The program runs from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and is funded through a \$3,500 grant provided by the United Way of Niagara Falls and

Greater Fort Erie. The funds will be used to supply food for youth involved in the program as well as weekly transportation to the schools for student mentors. Return transportation for Peace Bridge Public School students will be provided by Dunn The Mover.

In terms of community members receiving a post-secondary education, Zwiep said the Niagara region is "10% lower than the rest of Ontario."

The program is now in its

fourth year and was provided to students at Fort Erie Elementary School until it closed last year. Zwiep said the Youth University program wanted to "stay connected" with Fort Erie students.

Peace Bridge Public School is currently the only school in the Niagara region that hosts the program. Zwiep said,

"We try to bring information and educate people about funding opportunities and we talk to high school

graduates. Our goal is to let people out there know that there is funding available for a post-secondary education and it is attainable," Zwiep said.

Youth University also offers a number of enrichment camps for youth during March Break and the Summer months.

For more information about Youth University visit online at [www.brocku.ca/youth-university](http://www.brocku.ca/youth-university).

[sarah.ferguson@sunmedia.ca](mailto:sarah.ferguson@sunmedia.ca)



**SARAH FERGUSON**  
Fort Erie Times

Brock University volunteers visited Peace Bridge Public School last Wednesday to lead students in Grades 6 to 8 in games. The purpose of the visit was to introduce students to the university's Youth University afterschool program. Each week until April, students will enjoy education activities that will inspire and help them learn about future career goals and study opportunities at a post secondary institution once they complete high school.



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**ATTENTION ALL MOTORISTS:** In an effort to keep the streets free of vehicles during the winter months for snowplowing and sanding operations, residents are reminded that no overnight parking is permitted.

Traffic By-law No. 2000-89, Section 205 provides that "No person shall park a vehicle or permit a vehicle to remain parked" on any street in Town "between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. between November 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014."

The Town's By-law Enforcement Officers will be exercising vigilant enforcement of By-law No. 2000-89. **Your vehicle will be issued a parking ticket and could be towed, at your expense, if found in violation of the by-law.**

Enquiries may be directed to the Town's By-law Enforcement Officers by calling (905) 871-1600, Extension 2216 (Geoff Stephenson) or Extension 2215 (Matt Richardson).

Submit a detailed resume by Noon local time on Friday, December 13, 2013 to: Competition No. 25-2013, Human Resources, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON, L2A 2S6. Fax 805 871 4022, email [imther@ferie.ca](mailto:imther@ferie.ca) (MS Word, OpenOffice or pdf). More information is available @ [www.town.ferie.ca](http://www.town.ferie.ca) under Town Hall. Candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. The evaluation process may include a practical assessment. Personal information is collected under the Municipal Act, 2001 to determine employment suitability. The Town of Fort Erie is an equal opportunity employer. Accommodation is available to candidates upon request.

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# Meteors two-game winning streak ends

Collin Stachura

For The Times

The Fort Erie Meteor were hungry and set for redemption against the Caledonia Corvairs, after the junior B team lost 6-3 to the Corvairs

Friday night.

But a win was not in the cards for the Meteors, who lost 7-2 when they hosted the Corvairs at the Fort Erie Leisureplex Saturday night.

The Corvairs were the first to strike with three goals

from Cody Brown, Jeffrey Malott and Connor Murphy. Meteors responded back late in the first period with two back-to-back goals scored by Braden Kavaratzis and Alex Hurren.

Those two goals should have fired up the Meteors as they headed into the second period, but the Corvairs lit up the scoreboard, earning another three goals in the second period thanks to M i t c h

Brown, Jake Brown, and Tyler Nixon.

Jake Brown scored another in the third period to put the final nail in the Meteors' coffin.

With over 23 penalties handed out and 13 of them against the Meteors, frustration built up and it exploded halfway through the third period, with a fighting penalty for Kyle Marino, when he dropped the gloves with Caledonia's Jordan Peacock.

Both players received a penalty for game misconduct.

The Meteors next game is on the road against the Port Colborne Pirates on Friday, and then at home on Saturday against the Buffalo Regals. The puck will drop at 7:15 p.m.

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Bayer and Roche have new meters recently available. Bayer has a meter called the Didiject. This meter is aimed at kids and rewards them for good monitoring habits. It comes with games and connects to the Nintendo DS or DS Lite System. Patients can get this through their local diabetes education centre or specialist. Another new meter is called the A1C Now Selfcheck. This meter captures the three month average of a patient's glycosylated hemoglobin. This is close to lab results that your doctor sees and gives patients a very good idea how well controlled their diabetes is. This test can now be performed at certain pharmacies that have this meter.

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### Scoring summary

Period one

Caledonia: Cody Brown, 2:20; Jeffrey Malott, 3:14; Connor Murphy, 11:22

Fort Erie: Braden Kavaratzis, 15:26; Alex Hurren, 19:15

Period two

Caledonia: Mitch Brown, 15:56; Jake Brown, 16:29; Tyler Nixon, 20:00

Period three

Caledonia: Jake Brown, 8:42

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## Jessica Fickel named Brock Athlete of the Week



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Earning top honours was Jessica Fickel, who picked up seven points as

Brock (7-10-1) thumped Nipissing 8-1 and blanked Laurentian 4-0. Fickel had a hat trick versus Nipissing and two goals against Laurentian. Her 24 points places her fifth in Ontario University Athletic scoring and her 13 assists are third.

Also scoring for Brock, which is on a five-game winning streak, were Niagarr-on-the-Lake's Leigh Vanderveen and Laura Neu with two goals and singles by Brittany Gillmor, Kaleigh Grant and Ally Graham.

Jenna Sosinski, the reigning OUA female athlete of the week, made 62 saves to record both wins for ninth-place Brock.

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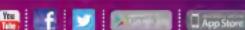
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**Birthdays**

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**Graduations**

**Graduations**



Happy 70th Birthday,  
Big Brother!

Roger Green

Lots of love Gini, Ed, & Family



**BRANIFF, Brittainy Alexandra**

Daryl Braniff and Barbara Bench are proud to congratulate their daughter Brittainy on her graduation from Queen's University with a Bachelor of Arts Honours (History). Brittainy's current hobby is interior decorating and completing the Interior Decorating Program at Sheridan College in Oakville. Congratulations and Best Wishes on your endeavours from all of you. Family and Friends!

**Births**

**Births**



**Stouffer/Beteau-It's a Girl!**

Proud new parents Almeen and Gerald welcomed their daughter, Emma Mary, into the world on New Year's eve. Wedding anniversary: September 21st at 10:02pm weighing 7lb 14oz.

Proud Grandparents are

Al and Barb Stouffer of Fort Erie and Garnet and Joan Beteau of Ridgeway. She is also welcomed by her many Aunts, Uncles, Cousins and friends.

Emma takes her name from her Great Grandmothers Emme McDonald and Mary Stouffer. Thank you to Dr. Olubowobi and the staff at the Niagara Health System, St. Catharines site.

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**JORDAAN** - Simon and Dorothy Jordaan would like to thank all their friends and family for making their 60th Wedding Anniversary a happy one. Thanks for all the cards and gifts and especially thanks to Marsha and Ian Mason and family for putting it all together.



*Marking your milestones.*

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**MOORE, Bruce** - (b. April 1949). On Monday January 13th 2014 Bruce left to fly with the angels surrounded by loved ones at the age of 64. Loyal husband and best friend of Debbie (nee Harlow), the love of his life for almost 44 years. Cherished father of Tiffany Moore (Dave) and Destiny Moore (Chris) and Hannah Naftali (Dave). Proud grandfather of Elissa, Hazal, Solomon, Connor and Lucy. Bruce was a member of the Knights of Columbus and Elizabeth (Larry) and his brother Doug. Bruce will always be remembered by the members of the Harlow Family brothers in law Jim (Lynn) and Brian (Lynn) along with his nieces, nephews and many many friends. Predeceased by his parents Bob and Elaine and his brother John. Born in Sherbrooke Quebec, Bruce grew up in Thorne Bay Michigan where his early school days in California before settling in Fort Erie. Ontario where he found the love of his life and lovingly raised his family. Strong values, integrity, loyalty and courage came through in how he cared for his family, interacted with colleagues at work, managed his political career, as well took up responsibility towards community or those in need. A true gentleman who will be deeply missed by all. Bruce was a caring family man. Bruce was a wife, a sage, a huge loss, a devotion and selfless commitment towards his family - what a wonderful life we all had together. Sensitive and caring with the heart of an Irish poet, he would go to any length for his family, including his last democratic act of tremendous strength and determination to struggle to wait for organ transplant, as able to enjoy his family growing older. Bruce was a man of action, establishing leadership from a young age. Already in high school he was president of his fraternity Gamma Sigma, and at work he rose from the shop floor to a senior manager at John Deere Welland Works where he was proud to work for 30 years. He was a community leader, president of the Fort Erie Kiwanis, and served the town of Fort Erie for three terms as a Councillor from 1985 - 1995. Humility and an open and welcoming spirit balanced fierce determination and persistence. He was curious, thoughtful, and inspired others with his continuous desire to learn. Those closest to Bruce remember him as a larger than life personality with a huge smile. It is with great pride we did it up brown. Embodiment a great person for life, he was fun loving with an impish joie de vivre. Playful and full of humour, he lived life to the fullest. Bruce enjoyed wilderness, nature, adventure, and was proud to have travelled Hawaii, Indonesia, Africa, Europe and the Middle East. Additionally, he was an excellent travel around North America on his Harley Davidson, in a canoe in British Columbia, Algonquin Park, and the Nahanni River. In his own words, "I ain't been cheated baby, I ain't been cheated". The family would like to express deepest gratitude for all those who attempted to facilitate organ donation, as well as the amazing care provided by St. Catharines General Hospital transplant team. G.U. Dr. Michael Puglisi, and Dr. R.J. Kamatian. **BINNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Bunner Ave., Fort Erie is entrusted with the arrangements. The family will receive friends and on Friday January 17th from 1-3 pm and 6-8 pm and again on Saturday from 10 am until the time of the funeral in the Binner Funeral Chapel at 11 am. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorial donations to either the Trillium Gift of Life or Médecins sans Frontières/Doctors without Borders.

**REILLY, Richard M. "Rick"** - After a brief illness, Richard passed away at his residence with his family by his side on Saturday January 18th, 2014 at the age of 60 years. Beloved husband and best friend of Danisa for 37 years and cherished father of Michael, Sean and Christopher. Rick was a devoted son to Kim (Ed) Frame of Fort Erie and Susan (Ed) Frame of Buffalo NY and uncle to Christopher, Jason and Brendan. Rick will be sadly missed by his beloved dog Sophia. Rick was an employee of Miller's Auto Recycling for many years and now works for **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Bunner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. At Rick's request cremation has taken place and a celebration of his life will take place at a later date. In memory of Rick donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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January 26, 2011



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Your loving husband, Fred

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January 26, 2011



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grandfather (4 kids, 9 grandkids, 6 great  
grandchildren). You were a wonderful man  
you so much. It is 6 years since the Lord  
called you home. We were together 57  
years. Life is lonely without you. How  
could we ever forget you? You were a man  
you have found that peace that passes  
all understanding. We all love you so  
much. You are always in our hearts.  
Your wife Marion, kids Carol, Duane,  
Pat and Lauri.



Windesoretta McMillan

05.12.37 - 01.22.10  
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**Williams Funeral  
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*In Memoriam*

# Local group of women warm soldiers with quilts

**Sarah Ferguson**  
Fort Erie Times

Sandra Dunn thinks a handmade quilt is a small but important token to give to injured soldiers who return home.

That's why Dunn, along with Val Spear, Sharon Swazy, Margaret Claxton and Pat Dixon began making quilts to donate to the Quilts of Valour. The organization has delivered more than 1,300 quilts to

injured service members and veterans.

"These people give their whole body and soul for Canada, and the least we can do is make a quilt for them," Dunn said.

Dunn said the group of women meet once a week for three hours at St. John's United Church in Stevensville. They collect materials and lovingly quilt the material into beautiful blankets.

The women have made 12

quilts since they began quilting for Quilts of Valour two years ago.

About four quilts made by the women were donated to Quilts of Valour last week, where they'll be distributed to armed forces bases, rehabilitation hospitals and veterans' homes across Canada.

Dunn said anyone who wishes to volunteer to make quilts at

the Stevensville Church or anyone who wishes to donate materials for the quilt can call her at 905-382-3386.

Dunn would like to see as many veterans and soldiers receive handmade quilts as possible.

"When you're covered with a blanket, you're covered with love," she said.

*sarah.ferguson@sunmedia.ca*



SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

Sandra Dunn shows some of the quilts made for veterans across Canada.



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## How can I help my child get ready for learning in Kindergarten?

Children do not need to have specific knowledge or skills to begin school, but you can help your child get a great head start and support their learning by introducing some math and literacy related activities into your home routine.

### Math on the Go!

Clapping, playing with different shapes, and sorting items by colour. These activities are fun and a great way to make math part of your child's everyday life.

Kindergarten children have a natural ability to connect with math concepts. Everyday activities offer opportunities for your child to connect their natural mathematical thinking to more formal mathematics. Here are some math activities you can try at home and on the go:

- Play number games during everyday activities, such as counting the number of steps while walking, the number of trucks you see while driving, or count the change needed to pay for an item
- Help your child recognize shapes and size relationships. At the grocery store, ask your child to find items that are triangles, circles, rectangles, and other shapes.
- Have your child help sort the laundry by different categories: by color, by item or by who it belongs to.
- Kindergartners love repetition and patterning, which fosters mathematical thinking. Clapping patterns help your child discover sequences and predict what comes next.



Thursday, February 6  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.



### Let's Write!

Strong handwriting skills have been shown to help children do better in spelling, creative writing and even math. You can support your child's learning by encouraging your child to write often, and by giving lots of praise for any attempts they make!

They can write:

- a grocery list
- a note to a family member
- your phone number
- their name
- the alphabet

### Did you know?

Smaller writing tools are easier for little hands to grasp. A small size gives little ones a chance to develop more control when learning handwriting skills.

